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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed May 17, 2006, please enter the following  
amendments and consider the following remarks.

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

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paper.

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